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FATAL HIT AND RUN COLLISION EAST GOLF LINKS ROAD AND SOUTH SWAN ROAD

On May 19, 2012 at approximately 2:23 a.m., Officers from Operations Division Midtown responded to a report of a single-vehicle motor vehicle collision in the area of **East Golf Links and South Swan Road**. Upon arrival, officers located a **Silver 2005 Jeep Liberty**, which had collided into a tree. An adult female was located in the passenger seat suffering from serious injuries. Emergency medical personnel from the Tucson Fire Department responded to the scene as well. They transported the female passenger to a local area hospital for treatment of her injuries. The officers on scene examined and collected roadway evidence as well as interviewed witnesses. They determined that the vehicle was traveling westbound on Golf Links Road just east of South Swan Road when the driver lost control of the vehicle, left the roadway, and struck a tree. **The driver fled the scene prior to police arrival and has not yet been identified**. On May 20, 2012, in the late evening hours, the passenger of the vehicle succumbed to her injuries. She has been identified as **35-year old Bernadette Macias.** Next of kin have been notified.

The Tucson Police Department seeks public assistance in both identifying and locating the driver. Anyone with information about this collision is urged to contact 911 or 88-CRIME.

Fatalities year to date:

For 2011 - 17 For 2012 – 18

6 Pedestrian 2 Pedestrian 0 Bicycle 1 Bicycle 7 Motorcycle 4 Motorcycle

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